PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Title: AMPHIPHILIC STAR-LIKE OR SCORPION-LIKE MACROMOLECULES, VARIOUS COMPOSITIONS AND USES THEREOF

## Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5 with the following amended paragraph:

## -- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a National Stage application under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) of International Application No. PCT/US2005/002900 having an International Filing Date of January 31, 2005, which claims benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/540,765 filed on January 30, 2004 and to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/540,867 filed on January 30, 2004, the disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.